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Subject: Microsoft Settlement

Dear DOJ-

The currently proposed Microsoft settlement is a bad idea.

I urge you to accept the alternate settlement proposed by the plaintiff states rather than the current Proposed Final Judgement. As a system administrator, my daily job is directly impacted by the anti-competitive practices that have characterized the Microsoft corporation. I believe that the Proposed Final Judgement contains misleading and overly narrow definitions and provisions, fails to prohibit the anticompetitive license terms currently used by Microsoft, and fails to prohibit anticompetitive practices towards OEMs. Considering the harm that Microsoft's anti-competitive practices have done to the innovation of new and competing operating systems, the Proposed Final Judgment as written allows and encourages significant anticompetitive practices to continue. Therefore, the Proposed Final Judgment is not in the public interest, and should not be adopted without addressing these issues.

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